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SUBJECT: AMIN ON TOURISM

1. PRESIDENT AMIN HAS ANNOUNCED NEW TOURISM ARRANGEMENTS WHICH INCLUDE ABOLITION OF MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND SETTING UP OF A TOURIST CORPORATION. CORPORATION WILL BE UNDER SUPERVISION OF MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS "FOR SECURITY PURPOSES." UGANDA HOTELS WILL ALSO BE SUPERVISED BY MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS FOR WELL-BEING OF TOURISTS AND SECURITY.

2. MINISTER OF FINANCE WILL, WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE, MAKE LOANS TO TOURIST CORPORATION TO BUY VEHICLES AND IMPROVE ROADS. NEW HOTELS WILL BE OPENED AND GOU WILL REGUALTE NUMBR OF TOURISTS COMING TO UGANDA ACCORDING TO ACCOMODATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE.

3. FOREIGN EXCHANGE CARRIED BY TOURISTS MUST BE DECLARED UPON ARRIVAL AND PACKAGE TOUR OPERATORS MUST PAY TOURIST CORPORATION IN FOREIGN CURRENCY BEFORE TOURISTS ACTUALLY ARRIVE IN COUNTRY. PRESIDENT AMIN WARNED TOURISTS NOT TO ENGAGE IN FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS WITH LOCAL PEOPLE BUT ONLY WITH AUTHORISED BANKS AND UGANDA HOTELS.

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4. AMIN SUGGESTED TOURISTS BE ISSUED SPECIAL FORMS WHICH WILL GIVE DETAILS SUCH AS PASSPORT NUMBERS AND DURATION OF STAY. MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS, IN COOPERATION WITH DEFENCE AND POLICE COUNCILS, WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR TOURISTS WHICH WILL THEN BE APPROVED BY PRESIDENT AMIN.

5. AS RECENTLY ANNOUNCED, BAN OF TOURISM ENDS EFFECTIVE SEPT. 17.
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